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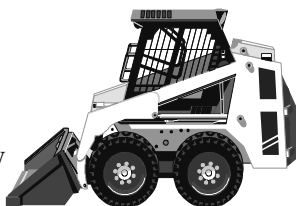
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Editorial

Possibly good news for the Dyers Crossing residents—I have conformation that the Post Office will be opening again after the long week-end (i.e. Tuesday 13th). Fingers crossed that you will no longer have to travel to Krambach for your mail.

Really didn't feel like doing the paper this month. I have had a very bad bout of tinnitus over the last week and have found it difficult to concentrate on doing anything, so I hope that I haven't missed any mistakes made during the formatting.

Winter has really decided to hit us with temperatures at my place already down to 4° on a couple of mornings and I am sure there was a frost on the paddocks next door the other day.

I haven't, as yet, succumbed to lighting the fire, just rugged up and cuddled a hot water bottle. I think we are in for a cold winter this year and I am conserving the wood 'til it is needed.

I was interested in the article Jenny Fletcher wrote. We take so much for granted in our every day lives and it takes something like Jenny's article to bring to mind that the little every day things we just buy at the shops for our comfort are not available to the inhabitants of our close neighbours. I know they also have big shortages of basic fruit and vegetables and because it is all imported to the islands it is also very costly. I admire her commitment to helping the girls and ladies to improve their lives and everyday comfort. I am sure Jenny would welcome any products that she could forward on to her new found friends so that they can improve their lives.

The Mid North Coast Sinfonia is performing again in our area. These talented young volunteer musicians will be playing a variety of music in three venues at the end of June. Tickets are \$25 per adult, Group bookings of 10 or more drop to \$20 and children under 16 are free. Details on page 15.

I have noted that Glen, Possible Solutions, has had to move again. He is now down next to Shaz and hopefully, this will be his last move. Bit of a task having to move a lot of electrical paraphernalia all the time.

Also noted from Nabiac School's article that School Holidays are about to hit us again. They seem to come around so quickly - maybe age is creeping up on me as time really does disappear these days and as a kid holidays seemed to take forever to arrive.

I have just had an email from my English friend who visited me in March and she informed me that she now keeps up to date with the area by reading ATF on the web. We are now international, so maybe we might get more overseas visitors to the area after her recommendations. She loved the area, as did her husband and, apart from family commitments, would move in tomorrow.

Enough of my rant, have to finish this and start printing.

Until next month,
Lyn & my new mate, Tilley Cat

WHAT'S HAPPENING JUNE, 2017

Markets & Events.

• Bulahdelah	(1st Sat)	3 rd	8am to 1pm
• Blackhead Bazaar	(1st Sun)	4 th	8am to 12 noon ?
• John's River	(Sat)	10 th	9am to 1.30pm
• Wingham Community	(every Sat)		
• Myall Quays	(3rd Sat)	17 th	9am to 1pm
• The Hub Taree Showgnd	(3rd Sat)	17 th	8am to 12noon
• Krambach	(3rd Sun)	18 st	8am to 2pm
• NABIAC	(Last Sat)	24 th	8am to 12noon
• Old Bar	(Last Sun)	25 th	7am to 1pm
• Pacific Palms	(Last Sun)	25 th	9am to 1pm
• Forster Town	(2nd Sun)	11 th	8am to 2pm
• Halliday's Point	(1st Sun)	4 th	8am to 11am
• Town Head	(every Mon)		8am to 2pm
• Mt. George	(Sat)	24 th	8am to 2pm
• Forster Farmers Market	(3rd Sat)	17 th	8am to 12noon
• Bobbin Community		27 th	9am to 2pm
• Tuncurry Markets	(4th Sat)	24 th	8am to 1pm

These dates are from the council web site so could be subject to change

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5 Hair Facts

1. Black is the most common hair colour in the world. Red, which only exists in about 1 percent of the world's population, is the rarest. Blonde hair comes in a close second, with only 2 percent of the population.
2. Hair can grow just about anywhere on the body, except for the palms of your hands, the soles of your feet, and on your lips and mucous membranes.
3. Hair is more elastic than you think! It can expand by up to 30% of its original length when wet.
4. Do you ever see a lot of hair in the drain after showering? That's normal—we shed between 40 and 150 strands of hair a day.
5. When did it become popular to colour hair? In 1950, only about 7% of women coloured their hair, but in 2015, it's up to about 75%.
6. Cutting your hair does not affect its growth, but it does help to avoid split ends, which can work their way up the hair shaft and make the individual shafts thinner, giving your hair the appearance of not growing.
7. Next to bone marrow, hair is the fastest growing tissue in the human body.



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Krambach Garden Lovers News



Soaking up the sunshine in a beautiful garden surrounded by autumn colour was what our members and visitors enjoyed at *Pam Moody's* home in Failford.

We welcomed another new member to our happy group; welcome *Karin*, we look forward to your company at our meetings.

We also celebrated our **15th birthday** with a cake, cut by our Patron *Helen Woods*, and it was much enjoyed by all.

At our first gathering we had 17 people and now we have 57 members, with our attendance well into the high thirties at each meeting.

The combination of orange and blue/purple flowers made a delightful display and our swap table once again overflowed with plants and fruit.

The next meeting will be at the home of *Pam Hinks*, Mill Street, Failford on Monday, June 26th. The competition colour will be yellow. This could be either flower or fruit so why not come along enjoy the company and find out more about our happy group of gardeners.

Bring a chair and join in the fellowship.

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Some weeks ago on TV program 'Gardening Australia', I was pleased to learn about Alpine Strawberries (a miniature form of edible strawberry with a fantastic flavour), which thrives well as borders, likes full sun and requires pine needles as mulch for the correct acidity of the soil. So, each time I stroll to the Post Office often on a carpet of pine needles, (and much more than a carpet when the Black Cockatoos have been feasting), I long to help myself to this abundant resource. But alas, laziness, old age and apathy sees this opportunity wasted. However, maybe some readers may find this idea useful. Nearby are businesses which could use the product as well as trial the plants as a border/ground cover to reduce mowing and also find a use for the product. I have never seen alpine strawberries in supermarkets. Readers may also think of other ways of turning this resource to community use.

On the subject of gardening, Nabiac School is looking for assistance with their funded project school garden. If you can assist, the School Administration would be very pleased to meet with you. All of our Landcarers are encouraging of the project but unfortunately are already fully committed.

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Volunteers and Committee members welcome to join.

HALL MARKETS: 3rd Sunday of the month. 8:30am to 1pm
Come and choose from a wide selection of craft, woodwork, hand made cards, fresh produce & plants, bric-a-brac, 2nd hand books & kids toys. Enjoy a hot breakfast or Devonshire tea or coffee. "Lucky Tree" Hall Raffle. New stall holders welcome.

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BULA

I have just returned from a wonderful experience, volunteering with **Sewaia Australia** and **Days for Girls** in Ba, Fiji.

Days for Girls is an International organisation (Google it for more details) which sponsors 'Days For Girls Kits' in Asia, Oceania and Africa so the girls will not miss out on education because of menstruation. Each kit contains 2 shields, with a special leak-proof layer, 8 liners, 2 pairs of panties, a face washer, cake of soap and 2 zip lock bags, all assembled in a practical drawstring bag. **Sewaia** donated sewing machines, overlockers and fabrics to make the kits.

Ba has a Women's Forum and the Japanese government has provided the money to construct a large 2 storey centre for the women. It contains classrooms, storage areas a large meeting room, kitchen facilities etc.

The first half of our time was spent teaching the ladies how to sew the kit, then there was a presentation where women from the town and school teachers were invited. It is hoped that the Ba ladies will be able to manufacture the kits - already some of the schools have placed orders. We have left the necessary supplies for about 500 kits.

The second part was more generalised sewing. The ladies were eager to learn to use simple commercial patterns for garment construction. Children's dresses and shorts were popular.

We also taught the ladies how to make bags and purses which hopefully they will be able to sell at the markets. They were keen and eager to learn patchwork, some incorporated the designs into their bags, others made placemats or cushion covers

I left all of my sewing supplies - rulers, threads, etc. to a group of very excited ladies. I have been invited to return and stay with them. In the meantime I will be sending a "Care Package". So if anyone has spare fabrics or threads, simple commercial patterns, zippers etc. please contact me, **Jenny Fletcher**, on **6554 1201**

PS: If you would like to see some of the Ba ladies singing Farewell to us go to Facebook and check out Days for Girls Merrylands



The Nabiac CTC centre at 37 Nabiac St Nabiac, is open to the public on Monday to Saturday, from 9.30am to 12.00pm Phone (02) 6554 1876

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Courses are offered to beginners and advanced users, so come along with your questions. Courses cost \$5.00 a lesson, plus a \$5.00 Annual Membership Fee.

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Friday Mornings: Suzie will help with the basics, emails and internet searches.

Saturday Mornings: Marie can help advanced computer users, setting up an android or Apple Ipad tablet, Iphone and other Smartphones. Suzie will help with the basics, emails and internet searches..

Jillian Wood

Krambach Country Music Day

This turned out to be another very successful day of Country Music, held at the Krambach Hall.

A total of 26 local and visiting artists from as far afield as Kempsey, Port Macquarie, Forster and Bulahdelah sang on the day.

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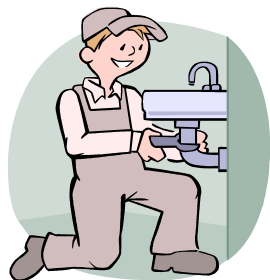
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Been the quietest month for some time, just four callouts to MVA's two minor and called off on the other two.

Winter is here, and so is the higher incidence of house fires. Get a fire plan from **myrfs** which has heaps of good stuff including what to expect and do in an emergency. If you love your family, this is a must and invaluable.

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WALLAMBA CWA REPORT

The May 9th meeting of Wallamba CWA was chaired by President *Iris Cummings* who welcomed 8 members and visitor *Coral Gabriel*, whom we hope might become a member. Apologies received from 4 members.

Thought for this month was brought along by *Norma Frieden* and was ***'the happiest people don't have the best of everything; they make the best of everything.'*** Member Mary to supply June's thought.

With Secretary *Pam* absent, thanks go to *Penny* who filled in as assistant and recorded the meeting.

Members were pleased to hear that Patron *Betty Bird* is recovering from her recent fall and has been transferred to Wingham Rehabilitation Hospital and may be home by the time this is printed.

President *Iris Cummings*, with members *Penny* and *Merle*, travelled to Bulahdelah to offer the branch support which has seen a decline in numbers. *Penny* and *Merle* offered Bulahdelah support with the catering for delegates travelling to this year's conference (this has been a regular lunch stopover for a number of years with Bulahdelah members making this a fundraiser).

Our keen Ag & Environment Officer *Jill* showed off her poster on 2017 topics of study, the fox, the quoll, fireweed, Quandongs and native finger limes, getting the tick of approval from fellow members and all hope it is a winner at the MNC Show & Tell/Ag & Environment Day at Port Panthers on June 6th, which will be attended by branch members *Iris*, *Mary*, *Penny*, *Merle*, *Janette* and *Jill*.

Merle, who is also Group Handicraft Officer, spoke about what she had planned for the day at Port Macquarie and it would involve paper crafts including making rhododendrons (sample of these were made at her home by *Mary* and herself and would decorate the tables at our International Day on May 16th) and also a Christmas star. The crazy beanie competition will be judged also – so looking forward to seeing some photos of the MNC members creations.

Congratulations to former Wallamba member, now of Muswellbrook, *Pauline Graves* who has been featured on the Yellow Pages phone book for that area with her fresh apple pie which was a tasty success.

Four members *Iris*, *Janette*, *Penny* and *Merle* attended Port Macquarie's International Day and were impressed with the speaker - a young local lady who had accompanied Pt Macquarie Sunshine Rotary as a volunteer to the Everest region of Nepal – her first experience in a 3rd world country where she volunteered to help build a green house at the Mira School which is supported by Rotary in Kharikhola Village, Solukhumbu.

With the branch International Day fast approaching on Tuesday, May

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16th, the members were given an update of guest speakers invited, the number of visitors and guests expected and display items to be loaned by local 'Earth, Body and Soul' shop in Nabiac. The Nepalese flag will also be on display and it is hoped the ladies will dress appropriately – *Mary* modelled her Nepalese outfit and the other ladies hope to have something similar.

Well the big day had arrived and Nepal was the hot topic of the day. The ladies set to and decorated the tables with red, blue & white serviettes, the colourful paper rhododendrons made during the lesson at *Merle's* home and also a very colourful program and postcard pictures of Nepal completed the table decorations. A wonderful array of items from 'Earth, Body and Soul' along with books, brochures, wooden bowls and lovely scarves made for an interesting display.

Official guests included *Stephen Bromhead*, Member for Myall Lakes, *Margaret Breust*, MNC Group President and *Sue Oldfield* who spoke about making goats cheese before all enjoyed a hot meal of tasty Nepalese dishes finished off with a yummy Nepalese Carrot Pudding and yoghurt. Unfortunately *Dr Anubha Singh* (a Nepalese Dr. from Kathmandu) from Taree Access Health and her father were unable to attend at the last minute but *Penny* had a back up speaker so after lunch was served, Guest speaker *Shirley McKinlay* of Gloucester spoke with passion and emotion of her many travels to Nepal over the years and how she had made some very special friends amongst the locals. *Shirley* spoke of the hospitality, the countryside, the people and life in the country. *Shirley* had also brought along several lovely scarves which she had been presented with during her visits.

The lucky winner of the huge fruit & vegetable raffle was *Barbara Mansfield* of Gloucester, with *Heather Murdock* of Harrington branch taking home 2nd prize. A lot of fun was had during the drawing of the many lucky door prizes. \$95 was raised from the Coins for Friendship bowls which will be donated to work of ACWW in 3rd world countries in helping women and children and providing clean water etc.

Next month's meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13th and we will hear a report on the 95th State Conference held at Tumby Umbi during May from Delegates *Penny* and *Merle*.

All members and interested ladies who might like to become members are most welcome to attend at the usual venue, Wallamba Showground Hall Foyer, beginning at 10.00am. A bring and share lunch always follows and lots of fun and laughter round off the meeting.

Pam Muxlow

Secretary/Publicity Officer

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(My apologies to *Jill Hammond* for the awful reproduction of her photo last month. It looked so nice on the computer. Ed)

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L to R Penny Britton, Steve Bromhead, Sue Oldfield, Margaret Breust

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It comes in from Taree via Dibbs Street, down Clarkson Street (official stop on the corner of Clarkson & Nabiac Streets) then onto the Pacific Highway.

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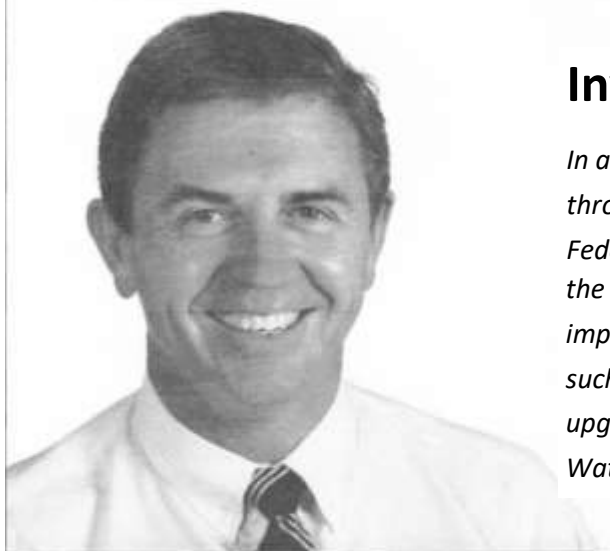
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REPORT FROM NABIAC RSL SUB BRANCH



Another month has gone by and we are still receiving compliments about the ANZAC day service. Once again I would like to thank the community for your support.

Did you know the Returned Services League of Australia was formed on the 6th of June, 1916 by troops returning from World War 1; with the aim of continuing the camaraderie, concern and mateship shown amongst the Australian Diggers. The RSL has now grown to 1500 Sub-Branches Australia wide and over 240,000 members, making it the largest organisation of ex-service men and women in Australia.

Another point of interest for June - Newcastle was bombed on the 8th of June, 1942; thankfully no one was killed and only two people injured. That attack was on the BHP metal works and the bombs hit

everywhere but their target.

The Japanese Submarine was no more than 9 kilometres off the Newcastle coast at the time of the attack and had come in totally undetected. This followed the attack by the Japanese Midget Submarines on Sydney Harbour on June 1st in which the HMAS Kuttabul was sunk killing 21 sailors.

In May, we had four members attend the RSL State Congress in Albury as well as two members going to Laurieton for the local delegates meeting.

Thanks again to all those who come and support our Sub Branch with the weekly Tuesday night raffles at the NABIAC Hotel.

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Local History - The Wallamba — Another in a series of historical articles gleaned from the archives of the "Manning River Times" **March, 1926**, by **Bob Mann**

Nabiac Show - March 31st, 1926: Rain Insurance. There was much speculation on Friday amongst those at the show whether there would be sufficient rain to entitle the association to collect the insurance money. The rain fell during the morning and at 1:00 o'clock it was still fine. The position was that if 10 points of rain fell before 2 pm the association was entitled to £200 from the insurance company which had undertaken to insure the show against rain. The premium paid was £20. At 1:20pm a heavy cloud worked up from the south east and a few minutes later, just as the cattle and horses were being led on to the ground for the grand parade, the flood gates of the heavens were opened and for the space of a few minutes, the rain came down at a good rate. Then it eased off to a mere drizzle and discussions were heard on all sides as to whether the ten points of rain had been registered. One man declared that only about 8 points had fallen as far as he could judge by the amount of water in a kerosene tin that had been left out in the rain. Others asserted that well over the required amount had fallen. At ten minutes to two o'clock the rain ceased all together and a committee man was dispatched post haste to the police station in order to ascertain the official registration. Some minutes later he arrived back breathless with the news that a little over 10 points had been registered. The amount was less than eleven points but sufficient to enable the association to claim the insurance. The grand parade was spoilt to a certain extent by the rain, but many of those present who had bought oilskins, overcoats and umbrellas remained out in the rain to watch it. They were well rewarded, the parade made a most imposing spectacle and it was also responsible for some humorous incidents. The sudden shower of rain made some of the cows and poddies very flighty and instead of being led around the ring there, they led their leaders a merry dance. One cow galloped almost right around the ring with the man on the rope taking great strides to keep up with it.

MAY, 1926 NEWS

MANNING SHIRE MEETING: At the recent meeting, complaints were received about stagnant water in a gully at Nabiac. Complaints had been received in connection with the matter. After the water stops running it remains stagnant in ponds for months and becomes putrid and a breeding place for mosquitos. It would be a safe guard to public health if the ponds were filled up or the gully graded and drained so that no water will run away.

THE NABIAC BRIDGE: The council reported that an error had been made in the plans of the Nabiac Creek Bridge. The error concerns the length of the bridge and as a result work was being held up. They had received a letter from the contractors and had received their solicitors advice on the matter which would be dealt with in committee.

NABIAC: A committee meeting at the School of Arts held on Saturday

evening last was well attended despite the inclement weather. Those present were *Messrs. Turnbull, Tonks, Riley, Priestly, Bowers, Newell, McIntyre and McKay*. The secretary's report to repairs to the lighting plant and adjustments to the piano was adopted and accounts in connection therewith passed for payment. Resolved - that a new generator be purchased at the earliest opportunity and that the secretary be empowered to have the piano tuned and that minor repairs to the building be effected. *Messrs. T. Priestly and E. Turnbull* were appointed to the sub-committee to plan and supervise the repairs. *Mr H. Bowers* was appointed Hon. Sec in place of *Mr R. S. McKay* who had resigned on account of his departure from the district. It was decided on the motion of *Messrs. Turnbull and Newell* that the resignation of *Mr McKay* be received with regret and that the committee place on record *Mr McKay's* excellent service to the institution. *Mr. H. Fayers* was appointed caretaker at the usual fee. It was decided to place the hall at the disposal of the Boy Scouts at a nominal fee of 2/- per meeting.

PERSONAL: *Mr Cecil Everingham* of Dulwich Hill was on a visit to Nabiac during the week-end. He was the guest of *Mr and Mrs J. Magennis*.

NABIAC PARISH: At a recent meeting of the Parochial Council of the Church of England it was unanimously decided to purchase a Morris Cowley car for use by the *Rev. W. Nicholls* who hitherto has used a motor cycle and sidecar as means of conveyance. The Councillors present *Messrs. A. Beisler, J.T. Worth, J. Harris, F. Waldon, J. Poynter, F. Johnson, H. Bowers* and the *Rev. C.W. Nicholls* who occupied the chair. *Mr F. Waldon* very generously made a donation of £5 towards the project and intimation of further financial assistance were forthcoming. The committee decided to place the order immediately and it is anticipated that the car will be available at an early date. Apologies for non appearance for non attendance from *Messrs. W. Batchelor, V. Kerr, J. Stevens, J. Small and D. Hancock*.

ANOTHER BRIDGE MEETING: A public meeting of ratepayers and citizens, convened at Nabiac for the purpose of dispensing matters in connection with the proposed Nabiac Creek Bridge was well attended despite the inclement weather. *Cr. J.W. Breckenridge* and *Mr C.H. Cook* of Failford were present and the contractor who had submitted the lowest tender *Mr De La Toire* of Newcastle was also in attendance. *Mr J.T. Magennis* was voted to the chair and explained the work in connection with the construction of the bridge which had been temporarily abandoned on account of an error in the original plan which would probably necessitate the production of original plans. Motions were passed requesting that the Shire Council convene a special meeting for the purpose of having the matter discussed with the least possible delay and urging the council to have the work in hand as expeditiously as possible. It was decided to request that the council consider the forging as a special and urgent matter. A hearty vote of thanks was given to *Cr. Breckenridge* and *Mr De La Toire* and the business and the meeting adjourned.

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Nabiac School



Last month was quite a busy month for our students with NAPLAN testing for Years 3 & 5 and we held our lovely Mother's Day Morning Tea and Assembly. We also had a visit from the Newcastle University Science and Engineering Department who put on a wonderful 'Smartbots' demonstration for our students. Years 5 & 6 were also invited to attend the Science and Engineering Discovery Day at the Taree Race club. This day is organised and paid for by the Rotary Club and run by the University of Newcastle. All of the students enjoyed the day immensely.

June will see us celebrate NAIDOC week with a performance group coming for the day with an array of activities for all students running all day on Friday 9th June. The school will be funding this day to allow every student to participate. We will also run our school NAIDOC celebrations on June 29th.

This year, our **Athletics Carnival** will be held over two days with field events being held on **Wednesday 7th June** and track events on **Friday 16th June**. All parents, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend.

Our canteen is still searching for willing volunteers. To volunteer in the canteen you will need to complete a Working with Children Check and supply the office with your WWC number. Volunteers usually start around 9am and are done by 1.30pm. Our canteen operates Tuesday to Friday. We are happy for volunteers to help out once a term or once or twice a week, whatever suits them. Every little bit helps.

Term 2 will finish off with a Skip-A-Thon where our students will get sponsored and raise money for our technology department. We hope to purchase further iPads for our students. **The last day of term is Friday 30th June**. Staff resume Monday 17th July and students return Tuesday 18th July. We ask the community to keep an eye on our school over the holidays and report any incidents to the police. We wish all our students and staff a wonderful break.

Leonie McKinnon

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Lyn's Larder

Found this recipe in a very old magazine and it will be on my menu next week. It is a cheaper variation to the one I know.

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INGREDIENTS

¼ cup (60ml)	Olive Oil
8	Pork Sausages (thick)
8	Rashers Bacon
2 cups (300g)	Plain Flour
2	Eggs, lightly beaten
500g	Vine ripened Cherry Tomatoes
2tbsp	Rosemary leaves
350g	Jar Onion Marmalade or Tomato Relish

METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 220°C
2. Add 2 tablespoons of oil to a 3 litre roasting pan, then place in the oven for 10 minutes to heat up.
3. Meanwhile, wrap the sausages in bacon. Heat remaining oil in a large frypan over medium heat and cook the sausages for 10-12 minutes, turning, until browned all over.
4. Sift the flour into a bowl and gradually whisk in egg and 400ml of water until smooth.
5. Arrange the sausages in the preheated pan and pour the batter around them. Scatter with the tomatoes and rosemary, then bake for 20-25 minutes until risen and golden.
6. Warm onion marmalade in a pan over low heat for 5-6 minutes until heated through. Serve the toad in the hole drizzled with the warm onion marmalade.

Should still be able to get the onion marmalade in the supermarket or a deli.

Can substitute the cherry tomatoes with just one of the new type of small tomatoes available nowadays.

MICHAEL BOURKE PLUMBING

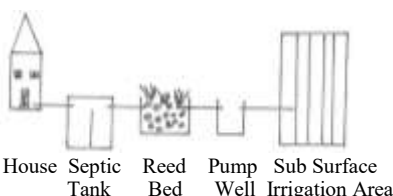
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Between the Pages

Nabiac Library News



Autumn is here in all her glorious colours with beautiful sunny days and crisp cool nights and mornings. Time to get out into the garden or go walking, camping and exploring; time to get out the slow cooker for fabulous healthy meals and then settle in for an evening of night time viewing of movies and DVD's or enjoying working on your next hobby project. Whatever your choice, Nabiac Library has the resources to guide you. We can direct you to the gardening sections for advice on pruning, planting bulbs and preparation for spring. Citrus fruit is coming into season so come in and get recipes for jams and marmalades. Want to cook up a heart warming soup, casserole or slow cooker dish? We have the books to guide you. So simple, put it on in the morning; done when you get home. Perfect! Planning on going camping or exploring in Winter to warmer climes; once again Nabiac Library has the books to guide you. Come on in and ask our wonderful volunteers.

Speaking of volunteers; a number of us enjoyed an appreciation luncheon which was held at Great Lakes Library Forster on Monday 9th May, as part of Volunteers Week. We had a splendid variety of hot and cold platters, followed by cakes and coffee or tea. One of our volunteers, **Penny**, received a Certificate of Appreciation for more than 10 years working as a volunteer library assistant, and was stunned to realise that it was that long. My how time flies! Whilst there, we got an update on the Mid Coast Council amalgamation, including the introduction of the new LOGO and the plans for a new library and civic precinct in Forster. For more details go to Mid page and scroll down to the Forster link. An exciting new concept! We also learnt how the Branch library has now moved into the Rural Transaction Centre in Meade Street, Bulahdelah. An exciting move, with new hours of operation and staffed by the RTC.



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council

We would like to extend a **big warm welcome** to our newest volunteer at Nabiac Library, **Cathy Fletcher**. Cathy and her husband **Rick**, have recently moved to Nabiac from Ryde. Cathy has a wealth of experience in working in Libraries and is keen to share this knowledge. If we had another one or two new volunteers we would be able once again to open Nabiac Library on Tuesday mornings. Please come and get a Volunteer Pack if you are interested in joining our wonderful team.

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A NEW AUTHOR IN THE DISTRICT

I was sent this information regarding a new author in the district, by Judy, one of the library volunteers.

Quoting Judy's appraisal "A lady called Nancy Everingham came into the library last Thursday to leave a book she had written! I brought it home to read before it was checked into the library and it is **AWESOME**. Her parents died leaving 10 daughters when she was little and she was put into a home and eventually adopted by a Krambach family (Bidner, nee Nixon who was the matron of the hospital). It mentions the Wellers, the Paffs and the Griffis families and many others. It is a blast into the past! She even had music lessons from Miss Lee in Nabiac, who was teaching when we (Judy) were first up here.

Apart from the local names the history of Taree is interesting and she worked in the original Mayo hospital The times here on the dairy farms were so different!"

Judy sounds extremely impressed by the book which is called "**Only Little**" and apparently it is on sale for about \$30.00. Not sure where you could get it but Nancy's phone number is 0447 832 179

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NEWS FROM BUNYAH

WOW, WOW, WOW, \$6,300.00 raised by Bunyah's iconic 'Biggest Morning Tea' has surpassed last year's record by \$800.00. This brings our cumulative total over the last 19 years to \$48,444.00 raised for the Cancer Council.

Attendance was **in excess of 300 people** from all over New South Wales including interstate visitors who make a point of attending with friends who have spread the word about our 'unique' version of this event.

The Tappers & Dancers from the '**Annie Rose Academy of Dance**' Taree performed again for the second year with 5 different dances and by the reception from the crowd, it was a highlight of the day. The Principal, *Bev Williamson*, and her daughter, Tap Teacher *Kate Cheney*, do charity performances which is a family tradition started by Bev's grandmother in the late 1800's when the Academy was established.

'The Work Song' dance they performed, was recently awarded a '**Highly Commended**' at the 50th Taree & District Eisteddfod and Kate's solo performance given special recognition.

The morning tea provided by our volunteers and supporters was its' usual sumptuous feast. **Every cent raised and donated goes to the Cancer Council, nothing is taken out.** This has been our creed over the last 19 years.

Our Raffle raised \$2,219.00 with our generous Donors providing good quality prizes which we and our supporters greatly appreciate.

The '**Dolphin Quilters**' from Old Bar, who have supported us for many years, provided another striking Quilt this year. They also sell 200 tickets plus each year in the Raffle.


Cathy Amos & her Crafty Crew ladies provide a large array of Quilts which are displayed on the tennis court fence and adds to the 'country style' atmosphere of our day. They set up their stalls loaded with a variety of handmade items, bric-a-brac, jams pickles and plants. These ladies' contribution to our end results was also a **record of \$1,181.00.** Congratulations Ladies!

Donations received at the **Door were \$1,414.00. Hall sales \$626.00 and Plants \$222.00.**

Many thanks to our **Bunyah Tennis Group** who are the backbone of this event, **Cathy Amos & the Crafty Crew, The Dolphin Quilters, Annie Rose Academy of Dance**, our generous Raffle Donors, Ly Reid for printing our Flyers, *Kristi* our mail lady who distributed our Flyers, our many supporters, guests on the day and willing volunteers. It is all of you that make this wonderful day and contribute to this fantastic result! **THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH!**

I look forward to working with you all again next year and seeing you, plus more of your friends at '**Bunyah's 20th Biggest Morning Tea**' in 2018.

Neryl Simpson.



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LOCALS PLAYING LOCALLY IN SINFONIA MNC'S JUNE CONCERTS

Sinfonia MNC, our mid north coast (and hinterland!) region's volunteer orchestra, will be giving a series of concerts titled *Our Orchestra's Offerings*. The venues are **Gloucester Primary School Hall at 2pm on Sunday, 18th June, St Albans, Forster at 2pm, Sunday, 25th June and the Chapel, Harrington at 2pm, Saturday, 24th June, 2017.** Tickets - Adults \$25.

Sinfonia MNC aims to foster music, especially for local young musicians, and to bring to local audiences programmes which cover the spectrum of live acoustic music from classical to modern orchestral and beyond. This year is no exception, but it does vary a little from usual procedure in that, as the title indicates, what will be played are the orchestra's "favourites".

So, what *are* some of the favourites? What can the audience anticipate hearing?

The principal piece will be the *Clarinet Concerto No 1 in F Minor* by Carl Maria von Weber

Carl Maria von Weber wrote this piece in 1811 for his friend, the clarinetist Heinrich Bärmann.

This will be the showpiece for the 2016 *James Hannah-Sinfonia MNC Scholarship* winner, **Miguel Guthridge**. Every year Sinfonia MNC awards scholarships to local musicians aged under 25 to further their music studies and to give them the opportunity to play with the orchestra. Miguel's brother **Patrick**, together with **Will Jackson**, were the recipients of Sinfonia MNC's 2016 *Quaver Scholarships* and they too can be heard playing in the June concerts. For all those aspiring young musicians out there – you can find out how to apply for next year's scholarships through the webpage www.sinfoniamnc.com.au.

That's one end of the musical spectrum. Another orchestra favourite is *Under Pressure*, written in 1981 by Freddie Mercury (and the other members of Queen) in collaboration with David Bowie. But is this so very different from von Weber's work? Freddie Mercury and David Bowie were both classically trained musicians before they became world Pop Icons. Both constantly used symphonic backings for their greatest hits.

They would feel right at home with Carl Maria von Weber.

Another boy they would all feel right at home with is Franz Schubert. The orchestra will play Schubert's *Unfinished Symphony No 8 (B Minor)*, written in 1822 when he was 25, six years before he died tragically young, like Freddie, from an STD.

The orchestra has also chosen to play music by James Barry from the film *Dances with Wolves*. He has a distinct style, concentrating on lush strings and extensive use of brass. Although fiction, the film loosely illustrates the tragic fate of the Sioux Indians – indeed of all the indigenous tribes of America. James Barry also wrote music for some of the James Bond films, *Midnight Cowboy*, *Out of Africa* and *Born Free*.

What about some joy and triumph? Women? Well Delibes and Mozart feature in the concert so there's certainly joy.

But what about triumph? And women? There will be excerpts from the score for 1965 film *The Sound of Music*. Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II wrote this score to celebrate the life of an heroic woman, aided by other heroic women, and it also foreshadows the ultimate triumph of good over evil on the world stage.

Want some more triumph of good over evil? Then you will enjoy the orchestra playing excerpts from score for *The Lord of the Rings* by Howard Shore. He composed, orchestrated, conducted, and produced the trilogy's music.

But there's more...

Hopefully this article has whetted your appetite to go to a concert to hear for yourself this wide variety of music, to see and support local musicians, to hear the rising stars, and to just enjoy.

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"We leave next week you know" (me)"

"What! but I've got to.....oh!"

So we left. And travelled north through the extensive cotton growing areas of northern NSW and Southern Qld. Evidence is everywhere as small balls of cotton from trucks litter the roadway. Average cotton production grown in this area is 3.9 million bales, involves massive infrastructure but is a big export earner.

Onwards through St George and Roma. Country is dry with not a lot of stock. Little did we know these would be the last we would see for about 2,500kms.

260 kms west to Charleville and meet up with some friends who will be our companions for a while.

A couple of days in Longreach. No, not the Hall of Fame rather a ride in a Cobb & Co stagecoach, with five in hand just as it was 120 years ago. Cobb & Co in their heyday were saddling some 2,000 horses a day in their operations and covering 18,000kms a week. Two pounds (\$4.00) a day was evidently the set fare anywhere you went. The Kinnon & Co family in Longreach have managed to put together an amazing set of attractions that should be a must for every visitor. Very worthwhile.

Onto Winton and a 100km visit S/W to visit part of the "dinosaur stampede" areas that are very well displayed and explained. The new buildings for the Waltzing Matilda Museum (destroyed by fire some three years ago) are under way. We are in the "Channel Country" where all rivers for the next 400kms west to and including Coopers Creek (Bourke & Wills) flow south into Lake Eyre. We will travel over hundreds; yes hundreds, of creeks and rivers without a drop of water in any of them. When it does rain however, rivers can be 10kms wide. 65% of Qld is still in drought. This is evident as we have not seen any wildlife for some time, no road kill or cattle, where on past trips through here, there has been an abundance of both. Outside our van park, triple double deck road trains are bringing cattle from north of Hughenden to Longreach. 120 head per truck and 23 trucks went through in one evening.

Country is as flat as, and, with the exception of the strip of tar we travel on, looks as it could have looked 1,000 years ago, no sign of habitation, fences or towers to the horizon 15kms away in any direction for hours of travel. Not desert, rather dull red dirt with sparse native grasses. Fuel is not a problem, usually at least every 300kms and the most expensive was \$1.38L

We are heading for Mt Isa but stop in at the information Centre at Boulia, where the "Min Min" lights phenomenon is well displayed and "explained". 10km straight stretches are common as are triple trailer road trains, occasionally with 4 trailers (Legal? probably not). One must get completely off the road as the trucks use the, in many areas, single lane of tar. The gravel verges are well maintained to allow for this. Many main roads here run through private cattle stations and are not fenced.

We approach Isa from the south. This large city (pop 22,000) has every amenity. Zinc, silver, lead but mainly copper are the main products from several mines in the area. Water for the city and mines comes from Lake Moondarra on the Leichardt River some 20kms away.

Onwards to Cloncurry, most available water in remote Qld is from the Great Artesian Basin and in most cases, cold water is not required in the shower as it is hot enough. This asset which stretches from the top of Cape York to Dubbo in NSW and northern SA, is 1,800kms wide and covers some 1.7million sq. kms or 1/5th of Australia's land mass. Some deep water in the southern area has been estimated to be millions of years old. It is replenished constantly from the western side of the Great Dividing Range, and without this resource the country would probably not function. Although exploited for a century of bad practices and waste resulting in lower pressures at the surface, it is now far better managed.

Charters Towers is nearly 800kms away, but first Cloncurry (pop 2800) where the Flying Doctor Service had its first job in May 1928 and a great display of its history is on show. Nearby Mary Kathleen uranium mine was a major employer early on but now cattle are the mainstay (when it rains). On to Julia Creek (pop 400) which has without doubt the most attractive Information Centre we have seen and is involved in a breeding program for the endangered Dunnart, a small mouse type marsupial native to the area. They have performed miracles with not a lot of funds and is an example to other centres in how to do things. We camp at a waterhole outside of town and are welcomed by Don Northam, butcher, from Tuncurry who is managing it for a few weeks.

Hughenden, (pop 1,200) is another fossil rich area in Qld but cattle are the important industry. It was here that America stored 100's of tons explosives and ammunition during WW2. Unfortunately a badly managed bushfire got amongst it resulting in explosions and craters 6m deep with many buildings in the town destroyed.

Onto Middleton (pop 3) for a great lunch at the very old unique pub on the side of the road.

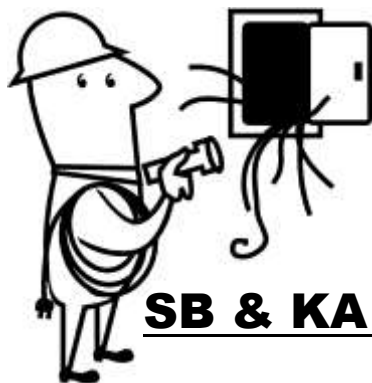
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Charters Towers (pop 8,300) was an early gold discovery by a young aboriginal horse minder. The place went gangbusters but fizzled out by WW1. Between 1871 & 1917, 200 tonnes of gold was extracted. Gold is again being mined but there are several other industries doing well including advanced education in several colleges and boarding schools. A very large American Air Force base was located here during WW2 and examples of fortified "bomb dumps" are still on display.

We head south and it is a long 380km drive to Clermont with just one possible stop at Belyando Crossing. Nothing to see until close to Clermont where we come across the first cattle since Longreach some 2,500kms ago and cultivated paddocks. Seems like civilisation at last, but certainly great admiration for so many who live, work and make their home in the western areas we have driven through. There are still pioneers about.

Further south and call in at Murgon and a few moments with an old friend of the family who is not well. Tenterfield. We have enjoyed 30 -32' days since we left and the weather is now cooler. Autumn in the New England is so colourful, the reds, greens and brilliant yellows are powerful symbols of nature here but also a reminder winter is about to happen and colder than on the coast. We travel down the range via the Waterfall Way to Dorrigo, where a staggering amount of old railway rolling stock that was supposed to be running tourist trains in the area by now, is rotting away due to big local disagreements and reported legal costs of \$2m. Very sad.

Onto Nambucca Heads and highway traffic. We have been spoilt with not a lot of traffic for the last 6,000kms. A couple of days at the Pelican van park seems like a great idea. The end is in sight, so many nice people and experiences, great country even in drought and the continuing optimism of those we have met is inspiring and more than a little humbling.



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OK - due to missing articles again we have the dreaded space to be filled with jokes because I am too lazy to cut the issue back to 16 pages and have to insert the loose middle page.

We will start with one for the golfing ladies which amused me.

Three ladies are chipping up to the fourth hole at RQ Golf Club, when a naked man wearing a paper bag over his head jumps from the trees and runs across the green.

The three ladies stand there are amazed at the site before them.

The first lady says, 'He is definitely not my husband.'

The second lady says, 'He is not mine either.'

And after very considerable thought about the matter, the third lady finally says, 'He's not even a member of this golf club'.



After everyone on earth was dead and waiting to enter Heaven, God appeared and said, "I want the men to make two lines. One line for the men who were true heads of their household, and the other line for those who were dominated by their women. I want all the women to report to St. Peter."

Soon, the women were gone, and there were two lines of men. The line of the men who were dominated by their wives was 1,000 km long, and in the line of men who truly were heads of their household, there was only one man.

God said to the long line, "You men should be ashamed of yourselves; I created you to be the head of your household. You have been disobedient and have not fulfilled your purpose. Of all of you, only one obeyed. Learn from him."

God turned to the one man, "How did you manage to be the only one in this line?"

The man replied, "My wife told me to stand here."



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Potatoes

Well, a Girl Potato and Boy Potato had eyes for each other, and finally they got married, and had a little sweet potato, which they called 'Yam'.

Of course, they wanted the best for Yam.

When it was time, they told her about the facts of life. They warned her about going out and getting half-baked, so she wouldn't get accidentally mashed, and get a bad name for herself like 'Hot Potato'.

Yam said not to worry, no Spud would get her into the sack and make a rotten potato out of her!

But on the other hand she wouldn't stay home and become a Couch Potato either.

She would eat properly so as not to be skinny like her Shoestring Cousins.

When she went off to Europe, Mr and Mrs Potato told Yam to watch out for those hard-boiled guys from Ireland and the greasy guys from France called the French Fries, and when she went out West, she must watch out for the Indians so she wouldn't get scalloped.

They sent Yam to Idaho P.U. (that's Potato University) so that when she graduated she'd really be "in the Chips".

But in spite of all they did for her, one-day Yam came home and announced she was going to marry Shane Warne.

"Shane Warne!!!!" they cried.

They were very upset and told Yam "You can't possibly marry Shane Warne because he's just

... Just a **COMMENTATOR!**"

All the members of the company's Board of Directors were called into the Chairman's office, one after another, until only Paul, the junior member, was left sitting outside.

Finally it was his turn to be summoned.

Paul entered the office to find the Chairman and the other four Directors seated at the far end of the boardroom table.

Paul was instructed to stand at the other end of the table, which he did.

The Chairman looked Paul squarely in the eye, and with a stern voice, he asked, Have you ever had sex with my secretary, Miss Foyt?"

"Oh, no, sir, positively not!" Paul replied.

"Are you absolutely sure?" asked the chairman.

"Honest, I've never been close enough to even touch her!"

"You'd swear to that?"

"Yes, I swear I've never had sex with Miss Foyt, anytime, anywhere," insisted Paul.

"Good. Then you fire her."

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LYING AROUND, PONDERING THE PROBLEMS OF THE WORLD, I REALIZED THAT AT MY AGE I DON'T REALLY GIVE A DAMN ANYMORE.

If walking is good for your health, the postman would be immortal. A whale swims all day, only eats fish, and drinks water but is still fat. A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years, while a tortoise lives for 150 years and they tell us to exercise! I don't think so.

NOW THAT I'M OLDER, HERE'S WHAT I'VE DISCOVERED:

1. I started out with nothing and I still have most of it.
2. My wild oats are mostly enjoyed with prunes and all-bran.
3. Funny, I don't remember being absent minded
4. Funny I don't remember being absent minded
5. If all is not lost, then where the heck is it?
6. It was a whole lot easier to get older than it was to get wiser.
7. Some days you're the bug and some days you're the wind-shield
8. I wish the buck really did stop here, I sure could use a few of them.
9. Kids in the backseat cause accidents
10. Accidents in the back seat cause kids
11. It's hard to make a come back when you haven't been anywhere
12. The world only beats a path to your door when you're in the bathroom
13. If God wanted me to touch my toes he'd have put them on my knees
14. When I'm finally holding the right cards everyone wants to play chess.
15. It is not hard to meet expenses.. They are everywhere
16. The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth
17. These days I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter - I go somewhere and wonder what I am 'here after'
18. It is a lot better to be seen than viewed.
19. Have I put this in the paper before??

Cowboy's Honeymoon...

A cowboy and his new wife had just got married and found a nice hotel for their wedding night.

The man approached the front desk and asked for a room.

He said, 'We're on our honeymoon and we need a nice room with a good strong bed.

The clerk winked, 'You want the 'Bridal'?'

The cowboy reflected on this for a moment and then replied, 'Nope, I reckon not. I'll just hold onto her ears until she gets used to it.

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The agent looked it up on the computer and said to the couple, £39.00.'

The husband was shocked and asked why it was so cheap here in Ireland to insure, because it cost him £2,000.00 in England!

The agent turned his computer screen to the couple and said, 'Well, here it is on the screen, it says:

Any wooden structure, with a sprinkler system over it, is £39.00.
I often do find the Irish Logic far superior to most others.

My Mother taught me -

My mother taught me **IRONY**
'Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about.'
My mother taught me about the science of **OSMOSIS**.
'Shut your mouth and eat your supper.'



Kids in church

Jesus' Dad's Name

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?" One child answered, "Mary."

The teacher then asked, "Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" A little kid said, "Verge."

Confused, the teacher asked, "Where did you get that?"

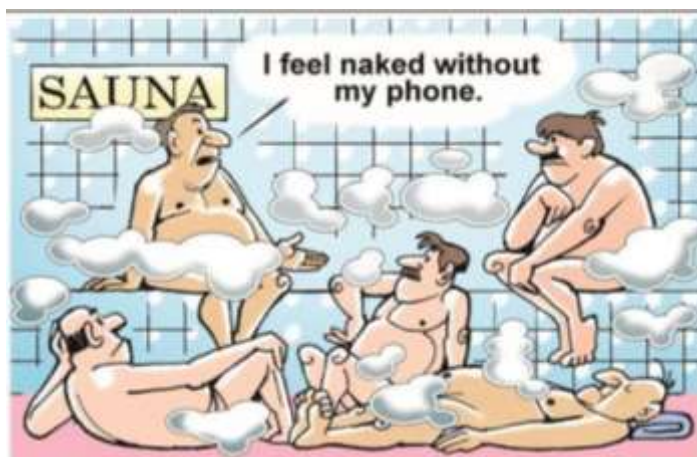
The kid said, "Well, you know, they are always talking about Verge n' Mary."

3-year-old Reese:

"Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is His name. Amen."

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am"

After the christening of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, "That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, and I wanted to stay with you."



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With the weekends weather forecast not so promising, only a few of our members ventured out. Those who did were able to weigh in a good catch. The largest being a 4.88kg Teraglin, caught by **Paul Lawson**. Well done Paul.

BLUE WATER

Paul Lawson	1 x Pearl Perch	0.68kg
	2 x Flathead	0.81kg
	1 x Squire Snapper	0.68kg
	5 x Teraglin	11.39kg
Bill Crick	5 x Teraglin	7.13kg
	3 x Squire Snapper	1.71kg
	2 x Trevally	0.84kg

ROCK AND BEACH

Paul Lawson	3 x Whiting	0.56kg
	1 x Bream	0.42kg
Terri Day	2 x Whiting	0.37kg



Our AGM will be held on Sunday 16th July following Weigh In, at the Nabiac Hotel.

Nominations are open for WFC Executive Committee Positions. The current holders of these positions have decided to step down at the upcoming AGM.

Anyone wishing to nominate can contact me or come along to our June meeting.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME.

Monthly meetings are held 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm at the Nabiac Hotel. Fishing weekends are 3rd weekend of the month, with Weigh In 2.30pm Sunday, at the Nabiac Hotel.

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← Paul & his Teraglin

IN YOUR PLOT

Winter... and isn't that morning wind getting chilly. Still there is a lot to get done in the garden to keep us active and warm. ☺

In the vegie garden or raised bed we need to get those seedling of cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, celery, garlic, kale and onions planted out and new seedlings of peas, sweet peas, parsnips and silver beet sown in trays and kept under cover for planting out in about 4 – 6 weeks.

Next thing is roses. Love them or hate them now is the time to buy and plant bare rooted ones. A trip to one of our local nurseries will show you what is available and which ones grow well in our neighbourhood. If you are unsure of the colours, garden tags often fade, note the particulars and look up the images on the Internet. This will give you an opportunity to see the plant in maturity as well and enable you to envisage it in your garden.

If that's not enough to keep you warm remember that autumn leaves make great mulch so get raking. Then of course there is the pruning of those deciduous trees. Remember when you are pruning any plant that the direction of the bud you are cutting to is the direction of the new shoot. So if you want your plant to spread prune for the ones pointing out or conversely if the plant needs thickening prune for ones pointing in.

Some pruning allows you to open a plant up to get the sunlight and air in and help combat fungus problems that are more prevalent in winter. It only takes 8 hours of a plant sitting with moisture on it for spores of fungus to take hold. One good home remedy I've used is:

3 T (tablespoons) of baking soda mixed with 3 T of vegetable oil (vegetable, olive or corn) and a few drops of dishwashing liquid in about 3.5 litres of water.

This works quite well for black spot and powdery mildew although you may need to repeat the application a few times to get complete results and it is always a good idea to test any new sprays on a few leaves of the plant first as some plants don't really like the oil.

Hydrangeas need your attention now too. Cut them back to the fat double buds for the best blooms next season. Natives that have finished flowering will also benefit from a light prune but steer clear of pruning any plants that have now set their buds for spring/ summer.

As winter comes in and plants slow their growth or die back you can often get a better view of the basic structures of your garden. Are there any places that would benefit from some landscaping? Do any of the edging or borders need sprucing up or replacing? Any areas that will benefit from a general clean up?

I am sure there are, so get out and start digging.

Ps. Quick tip: Keep indoor pot plants away from heaters. Mist their foliage daily and stand pots on saucers with moist sand. They tend to dry out quickly with heated rooms.

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How's life been in your back yard? Mine's been a tad tough as I've had a bout of the dreaded lurgy and just can't seem to get rid of it. But I feel better than Collingwood, they've managed to win a game at long last and the way they carried on you'd think they'd won the lottery!

The Glorious St Kilda are in the top eight and the Heroic St George – together aka **The Heavenly Cohorts** – are in the top four. Life's good and we have every expectation this year will end well.

I know this is a personal rant and many of you treat it merely as a confirmation that your e-mail system is still working (and probably don't read it) but I was quite distressed last weekend as I watched the North Melbourne (*Kangaroos*) and Melbourne (*Demons*) Oz Rules match. I know in the ARL and ARU there are attempts by players to intimidate and scrag opposition players but the refs are generally on top of it and penalties follow such efforts. Also, if there are serious misdemeanours in these games the refs can sin bin offenders for some time and in the event of a blatant offence, the offender can be sent off! In Oz Rules however, there are no such penalties available to the refs though he/she can report the offender but that doesn't seem to stop the offending at the time.

In this match however, the players in both teams got stuck into each other the moment they came onto the field. There were elbows to the ribs, shoulders into the back, attempts at tripping **and all this took place before the ball had even been bounced!** Once the game started of course, it seemed the refs were blind (which is interesting as they're sponsored by OPSM, I think) to anything happening off the ball. I know I generally refer to Rugby Union as *cross-country wrestling* (because that's what it looks like) but this game was nothing short of a mobile bar fight! A *Kangaroo* (admittedly, after taking a lot of buffeting from a couple of *Demons*) dropped his main tormentor with a short blow to the lower gut that levelled him – and he was still retching some minutes later on the bench and not only did I not feel sorry for him but the judiciary on Tuesday night said nothing as well.

It (the fighting) does nothing for the game and I think there are going to be some rule changes shortly that will clean it up. Some coaches will find it difficult as they're going to have to concentrate on the skills of the game rather than boxing!

Ah, golf and what some folk will do. You've probably never heard of Clifton McDonald but he was hoping to play in the US Open this month at Eron Hills, Wisconsin, so set about playing in a qualifying event at Silver Lakes, Alabama. To say he stumbled just a tad would be an understatement as he returned a 55 over par, 127! He had a horrible 32 over par, 68 on the first nine and that included a 14 on the

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par 5 16th and an 11 on the par 4 18th. His second nine was slightly better – he didn't register a double digit on any hole – but still recorded a 59! The officials seem to think he may have fibbed just a little on his application when he said he had a handicap of 2.4! You think? My handicap at Royal Krumbach is in the low 20s and I can't remember when I last shot 127! But then, I'm not about to try to qualify for the Oz Open!

What do Ben Cousins, Todd Carney and Michael Diamond have in common? Well, it would be fair to say that in their chosen fields they were champions. Ben of course, has had drug troubles and spent time in prison. Todd had trouble with alcohol (the magistrate even banned him from Goulburn, the city where he was born and learnt Rugby League) and a variety of other vices. And Michael? He's a six time Olympian and won gold in 1996 (Atlanta) and 2000 (Sydney) trap shooter who seems to have gone off the rails when he was convicted of DUI, gun and ammunition storage offences and he had a fight with his brother in Newcastle! He has now been hit with a 10-year ban on firearms and if that can't be lifted we'll never see him shoot for Australia again. So sad for the three of them – they had the world (in their chosen sport) at their feet but couldn't handle it.

There's dumb. There's DUMBER. And then there's twitter. *Melbourne Victory* was to play *Sydney FC* in the A-League Grand Final at Allianz Stadium and snuck around the back of the FFA to get *Max Events* (who manage the stadium) to play their club song (Ben E. King's "Stand By Me") over the stadium PA while they were warming up – which was apparently against FFA instructions. It's the old Sydney/Melbourne rivalry – you just got to get one up on the other! They'd have got away with it too, if the idiots hadn't told everybody what they were going to do on twitter before they did it!!! I've seen gateposts with more brains than that. And they lost the GF as well!

Talk at you next month,
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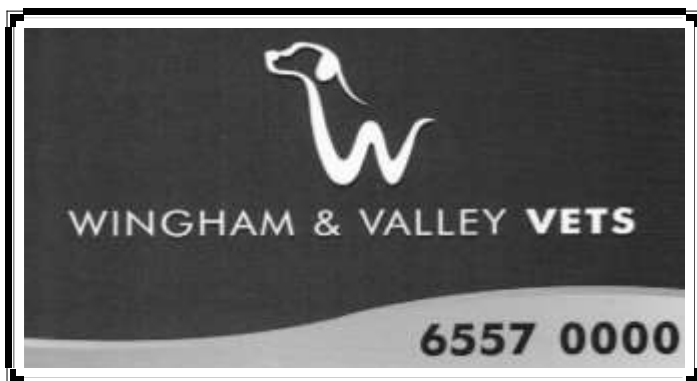
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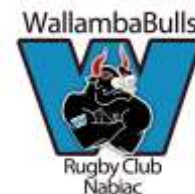
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Wallamba Bulls



The Wallamba Bulls have stamped through the competition in the first round of the Lower Mid North Coast Rugby Union Competition.

With the NSW Country Championships done and dusted for 2017, attention again turned to the local Lower Mid North Coast competition for the final stages of Round 1. At the end of the first month of the competition, the Bulls were sitting at the top of the table and all the players and coaching staff were keen to continue their winning form.

On 6th May, 2017 the Bulls travelled to Tea Gardens to take on the Myall Coast Mudcrabs. A great crowd of supporters took advantage of the Nabiac Hotel Courtesy bus and travelled south for the clash. With star players *Denzel Russell* and *James Dinnan* in their best form of the season to date, the Bulls were able to carve out a convincing win of 11 tries to 1 for a final score of Mudcrabs 7 – Bulls 78 and capture a 5th bonus point in the process.

The Bulls returned home to Aub Ferris Oval and stepped up their preparations for what was to be the match of the round and the Bulls biggest challenge this season, the Forster – Tuncurry Dolphins on 13th May, 2017 in what was a 2016 Grand Final rematch.

The pre-match entertainment featured Golden Oldies Rugby at its best with the Wallamba Old Bulls taking on the Forster Dolphins Golden Oldies. It was a great demonstration of athleticism in Rugby being alive and well with Club President, *Arthur Chapman*, providing a brilliant pass by pass commentary that kept the crowd enthralled. The day was also Ladies Day and Nabiac Pharmacy and Hair by Tiff pampered the ladies on site with hair and makeup treatments and a bottle or two of bubbles.

The first grade game kicked off at 3pm and the Bulls rose to the challenge of the four time premiers, the Forster-Tuncurry Dolphins. Bulls No 15 *Chris Tout* provided the backbone of the Bulls attack with all players taking up the gauntlet to lead the Dolphins 22 – 0 at half time. The Dolphins returned to the paddock in the second half as a revitalised team that quickly applied the pressure to the Bulls to bring the score to 22 – 21 with just on 15 minutes remaining. The crowd roared to their feet driving both teams to dig deep as they scrambled to lay on a final try to seal the points and bragging rights at the top of the table. Bulls player, *James Handford* was finally able to break through the comprehensive Dolphins defence for a try that was successfully converted to see the Bulls defeat the Dolphins 29 – 21 and take their spot at the top of the table with a 5th bonus point at the end of round one.

After a quick little celebration at the Nabiac Hotel the Bulls turned their attention to preparing for the next game against the Gloucester Cockies on 20th May, 2017.

The Cockies, fresh off their win against Old Bar, were a revitalised team from their first round encounter with the Bulls. The first half was big kicking game and again the Bulls No 15 Chris Tout demonstrated his skill as he hustled his way around the paddock to see the Bulls lead the Cockies 54 – 0 at half time. The second half saw the determined Cockies attack with vigour as the Bulls were forced to pile on the defence against several painstakingly close calls for the Cockies. With the immediate threat averted the Bulls went on to add to their half time total to defeat the Cockies 90 – 0 and claim their 6th Bonus point.

On 27th May, 2017 the Bulls travelled to Old Bar to take on the Old Bar Clams in a change to the draw to enable the Bulls to schedule a night game in Round 3. Despite a gallant display of never give up Rugby, the Bulls were able to collect their 7th Bonus Point of the competition with a 88 – 0 win.

The Year of the Bull is planned to continue in June, 2017 with games scheduled on 3rd June, 2017 when the Bulls travel to Taree to take on the Manning River Ratz then after a long weekend bye, the Bulls host the Myall Mudcrabs in Nabiac on 17th June at 3pm. The Bulls then travel to the Forster – Tuncurry on 24th June, 2017 to take on the Dolphins who will be looking to avenge their first round loss to the Bulls. Then on 1st July, 2017 the Bulls travel to Gloucester to take on the Gloucester Cockies.

It should be a great month of Rugby, remember to take advantage of the free Nabiac Hotel supporters bus to all the Bulls away games, departure times are advertised on the Bulls Facebook Page which we encourage all our supporters to subscribe to for the latest news on the #yearofthebull.

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Windows 10 is big on updating, in fact it takes quite a bit to stop it being automatic and it's a bit of a pain, especially if you don't have a large download allowance, but most of those updates are bug fixes so you do need them.

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MENS RESULTS - MAY, 2017

Sunday 7th – Monthly Medal & 1st Round Championships

Winner: Steve Nye 66 net
R/Up: Rick Paff 68 net
Third: Tom Paterson 70 net
NTP: 4th/13th Gary Martin
7th/16th Kevin Bunting
8th/17th Andrew Badham

Sunday 14th - 2nd Round Club Championships

Winner: Kevin Bunting 63 net
R/Up: Gary Martin 64 net
Third: Michael White 65 net
NTP: 4th/13th Kevin Bunting

Sunday 21st - Open Day - Stroke

Gross Winners:

A Grade: Mark Johnson (Karuah) 67
R/Up: Rod Brown (Wingham) 72
B Grade: Dan Hansen (Forster/Tuncurry) 76
R/Up: Franz Schubert (Wingham) 78
C Grade: David Mundy (Stroud) 84
R/Up: Michael Coleman (Bulahdelah) 84

Nett Winners:

A Grade: Geoff Matheson (Bulahdelah) 66
R/Up: Terry Overhall (Tallwoods) 68
B Grade: Glen James (Everglades) 66
R/Up: Paul Muir (Wingham) 67
C Grade: Rick Hanson (Kiama) 62
R/Up: Andrew Balham (Krambach) 65

A big shout out to everyone travelling from far and wide to make the Men's last Open Day such a success.

Sunday 28th– 3rd Round Club Championships - Stroke

Daily Winner: Tony Brennan 64 net
R/Up: Kevin Bunting 65 net
3rd: Bill Livemore (Tallwoods) 69 net c/b
NTP: 4th/13th Tom Moore
7th/16th Rick Paff

Championship Winners

A Grade Gross: Steve Nye
Nett: Kevin Bunting
B Grade Gross: Rick Paff
Nett: Brian Nuttall

VETERANS RESULTS - MAY, 2017

Thursday 4th - Monthly Medal - Stroke

Winner: Rod Dayment 67 net
R/Up: George Puzey 68 net
NTP: 1st/10th Stuart Weller
4th/13th Steve Nye
7th/16th Rod Dayment

Thursday 11th - Mixed Foursomes - 27 Holes & Pink Charity Day

Mixed

Winners: Emma Moore & Glen Dennes 108.25
Rs/Up: Kay Moylan & Ken Martin 109

Men's

Winners: S. Nye & R. Dayment 99.75
Rs/Up: T. Cheers & T. Paterson 100.5
NTP:

4th/13th Trevor Cheers & Kay Moylan
8th/17th Steve Nye & Moya Harris

Thanks to the Veterans for a lovely day and great donations made to Breast Cancer Research

Thursday 18th - Stroke - Monthly Medal Playoff

Winner: Brian Nuttall 63 net
R/Up: Steve Nye 68 net
NTP: 4th/13th Michael White
8th/17th Stuart Weller

Steve Nye is the Medal Winner for 2017 Congratulations!

Thursday 25th - Stableford

Winner: George Puzey 39 pts
R/Up: Brian Nuttall 37 pts
NTP: 4th/13th Steve Nye
8th/17th Rod Dayment

Veterans Winners List 2017

Championships

A Grade Gross: Steve Nye
A Grade Nett: Don Gordon
B Grade Gross: Trevor Cheers
B Grade Nett: Ian Andersen
C Grade Gross: Stuart Weller
C Grade Nett: George Puzey

Foursomes Gross: Steve Nye & Rod Dayment
Foursomes Nett: Ian Andersen & Don Gordon

Medal Winner: Steve Nye

LADIES RESULTS - MAY, 2017

Wednesday 3rd - Monthly Medal - Stroke

Winner: Kay Moylan 72 net
A Grade: Rose Pearson 83 net
B Grade: Kereen Roos
NTP: 1st/10th Kay Moylan
7th/16th Moya Harris 28 putts

Wednesday 10th - No game - went with the Veterans on 11th...

Wednesday 17th - Championships 1st Round - Stroke

Winner: Rose Pearson 74 net
R/Up: Pam Paff 76 net
NTP: 17th Kay Moylan

Wednesday 24th - Championships 2nd Round - Stroke

Winner: Emma Moore 71 net c/b
R/Up: Kay Moylan 71 net
NTP: 17th Rhonda Nightingale

Wednesday 31st - Championships Final Round - Stroke

Daily

Winner: Kereen Roos 72 net
R/Up: Rhonda Nightingale 73 net

Long Drive: 7th

A Grade: Kay Moylan
B Grade: Rhonda Nightingale

NTP: 8th/17th

A Grade: Kay Moylan
B Grade: Rose Pearson

Championship Winners

A Grade Gross: Emma Moore
A Grade Nett: Kay Moylan
B Grade Gross: Rhonda Nightingale
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Thank you to everyone who supported the raffle.

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For information regarding the Uniting Church, Nabiac please contact Margaret **Weller** (6554 1212), Jill **Hammond** (6555 7747)

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St Isidore's Catholic Church, Nabiac

June Mass time Sunday 25th at 9.00am

(note that in future Mass will be held every 4th Sunday in Nabiac)

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June Mass times are: - Saturday 3rd at 6.30pm, Sunday 11th at 9.00am, Saturday 17th at 6.30pm,

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